

## Pecan Industry Estimates

Each summer and fall, several groups within the pecan industry prepare and present informal pecan crop predictions for the coming season. Ben Littlepage of Louisiana traditionally presents the first estimate of the season at the Louisiana Pecan Growers meeting in June. Then 2 additional estimates are presented at the Texas Pecan Growers meeting in July (by Kenneth Pape and Kyle Brookshier). The National Pecan Shellers Association makes a prediction at its annual meeting in September. And the Alabama Pecan Growers Association makes its forecast in September as well. These industry estimates are considered to be “informal”. The USDA crop estimate for the coming season is published in October and is considered the “formal” estimate for the industry. USDA’s estimate is typically revised in January. The final summary of the crop is published by USDA in July following the crop, and it includes average prices paid to growers and overall value of the crop.

<b>INDUSTRY GUESSTIMATES OF 2011 PECAN CROP (inshell lbs.)</b>						
	<b>Littlepage</b> 6/17/11	<b>Pape</b> 7/12/11	<b>Brookshier</b> 7/12/11	<b>NPSA</b> 9/9/11	<b>Alabama PG</b> 9/15/11	<b>2010 USDA</b> <b>Final</b>
Alabama	7,000,000	9,000,000	7,000,000	11,000,000	8,000,000	5,000,000
Arizona	19,000,000	19,000,000	20,000,000	23,000,000	19,000,000	22,000,000
Arkansas	3,000,000	4,000,000	2,000,000	3,000,000	3,000,000	1,100,000
California	3,500,000	4,000,000	4,000,000	4,500,000	4,000,000	5,700,000
Florida	500,000	1,500,000	2,200,000	3,500,000	2,200,000	1,500,000
Georgia	80,000,000	90,000,000	84,000,000	100,000,000	90,000,000	75,000,000
Kansas	2,000,000	5,000,000	2,000,000	3,000,000	2,000,000	3,840,000
Louisiana	8,500,000	9,000,000	7,500,000	10,000,000	10,000,000	20,000,000
Mississippi	2,000,000	2,500,000	1,500,000	3,000,000	2,000,000	2,100,000
Missouri	1,500,000	w/ Kansas	1,200,000	w/ Kansas	1,200,000	w/ Kansas
New Mexico	57,000,000	55,000,000	63,000,000	67,000,000	56,000,000	66,000,000
North Carolina	500,000	1,000,000.	--	500,000		0
Oklahoma	15,000,000	19,000,000	16,000,000	7,500,000	17,000,000	20,000,000
South Carolina	2,000,000	3,000,000	2,100,000	3,000,000	2,100,000	1,500,000
Texas	45,000,000	40,000,000	40,000,000	38,000,000	37,500,000	70,000,000
<b>U.S. Total</b>	<b>246,500,000</b>	<b>261,000,000</b>	<b>252,500,000</b>	<b>277,000,000</b>	<b>254,000,000</b>	<b>293,740,000</b>